

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 10-12 with the following amended paragraph:

U.S. Patent Application No. [[]] 09/894,857, entitled “A Microfluidic Design Automation Method And System,” by Michael Lee, et. al., (Attorney Docket No. 020174-005000US), now U.S. Patent No. 6,829,753.

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 13-15 with the following amended paragraph:

U.S. Patent Application No. [[]] 09/894,858, entitled “An Object Oriented Microfluidic Design Method And System,” by Gregory Harris, et. al., (Attorney Docket No. 020174-006800US), now U.S. Patent No. 6,885,982.